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Dear Mr. Dale:

Heritage of Pride, the organizers of Gay & Lesbian & Gay Pride events in New York City, would very much like you to be one of our Grand Marshals 2000. The work you're doing to further the struggle for our equal rights deserves recognition. We'd be proud to make sure you receive it.

The Grand Marshals are one of the highlights of the annual Pride March, held this year on June 25. They also appear on our Rally stage in Bryant Park the previous Sunday. Your presence at both these events would mean a great deal to Heritage of Pride and, more importantly, the community. While we are making great strides in visibility and in achieving the rights we deserve, we are also being excoriated by the right and hate-mongers. The courage embodied in your public stand against the Boy Scouts of America is well known and makes you an excellent candidate for Grand Marshal.

As I mentioned, the Grand Marshals are asked to speak at the Rally. This year's Rally will be held in Bryant Park between 2 and 6 PM on June 18. Needless to say, we will work with your schedule to ensure your presence on the Rally stage. The press conference with the Grand Marshals at the March on June 25 usually starts about 10 AM. You'll ride down the March route in a convertible from noon until approximately 4 that afternoon. If you'd like to bring someone as your guest, just let us know.

Heritage of Pride sincerely hopes you'll be able to be one of the Grand Marshals for New York's Pride Events this June. I would appreciate the opportunity to talk to you and answer any questions you have. You can reach me at (212) 463-6364 during the week.

With Pride

Janice Thom
March Chair

PS: Our Board has asked me to extend our thanks for your appearance at our Thank You Party this fall.

Organizers of Gay & Lesbian Pride March, Rally, Dance & Festival
New York City